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For:

DOUBLE BALLOON THROMBECTOMY CATHETER

AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action dated September 10, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 9, 13, and 14 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add the following claims:

15. (New) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the guidewire rotates to perform thrombectomy and extends distally of the first and second balloons.

16 (New) The apparatus of claim 10, wherein the thrombectomy device comprises a rotatable thrombectomy wire extending distally of the balloons.

17. (New) The apparatus of claim 16, wherein the rotatable thrombectomy wire further functions as a guidewire for the catheter.

18. (New) The apparatus of claim 15, wherein the first balloon is positioned proximally of the other balloon.

19. (New) The catheter of claim 11, further comprising a rotatable thrombectomy wire.

20. (New) The catheter of claim 19, wherein the rotatable thrombectomy wire extends through the first lumen of the catheter and further functions as a guidewire for the catheter.

21. (New) The catheter of claim 19, wherein the thrombectomy wire extends distally of the first and second balloons.

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